

**INTERNSHIP AT MACHUPICCHU SITE MUSEUM  
CONSERVATION PROJECT  
CUSCO**

**INTRODUCTION**

Located in the Archaeological Park of Machupicchu in the province of Urubamba, Cusco, the Machupicchu Site Museum is a small museum operated by 3 people that is scheduled to open to the public in March 2005. The museum exhibits 200 pieces and holds over 2000 artifacts and ceramic fragments, which are the result of the many archaeological excavations that have taken place in sanctuary in the last four decades.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT**

Interns should recommend conservation procedures and treatments for objects on exhibition and also for artifacts in the conservation laboratory.

- The intern will analyze and evaluate the climatic conditions inside the museum, including humidity, temperature, plagues, and other factors that could harm the collection.
- The intern will recommend solutions and alternatives for the climatic conditions observed.
- The intern will evaluate and analyze external factors in the infrastructure that could harm the collection.
- The intern will recommend preventive conservation measures for the museum collection.

**NUMBER OF INTERNS AND TIME PERIOD**

One (1) intern for two months each from July 1 to August 31, 2005.

Working schedule: Monday through Fridays from 8:00 am to 1:30 pm.

**MATERIALS**

To be determined.

**SUPERVISION**

Project supervisor will be museographer Verónica Tupayachi Calderón.

**COSTS**

**The Museum** will provide in-kind support (**will not be able to provide lodging**).

**The American Embassy** will provide the materials needed for the internship and up to \$ 300 total for M&I per participant for the time period.

**The University or student** should provide other costs such as roundtrip international tickets to Lima and in-country tickets to Cusco, and meals and incidentals.

**APPLICANTS**

Applicants must be Spanish-speaking American citizens in a graduate program in conservation and/or restoration.